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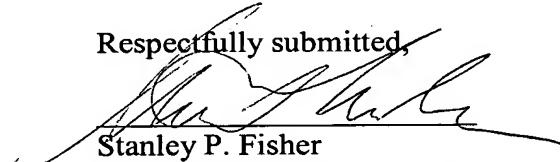
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**LETTER TO DRAFTSPERSON**

Sir:

In response to the requirements set forth in the Office Action mailed on February 7, 2005, Applicants are submitting drawings for Figs. 13A-17, in which a legend of "Prior Art" is being added, in connection with the above-captioned application.

Kindly direct any inquiries in connection with this matter to the undersigned at the below-listed address and telephone number.

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